



CALENDAR OF EVENTS	WEEKLY UPDATE
	CENTER FOR EXCELEENCE
Monday	<p>UCF Finalist in FCCMA Competition</p> <p>The Florida City and County Management Association [FCCMA] issued a call for proposals to create a Florida Center for Excellence in Local Public Management this spring. The UCF Department of Public Administration, the Institute of Government, and the Center for Community Partnerships developed a proposal that created an integrated approach to all aspects of the life cycle of the public administration professional. Our department has been notified that we are one of two finalists [UCF and FSU] in this grant competition. At UCF we have always focused on local government, and we believe that housing the Florida Center for Excellence in Local Public Management at UCF would be a natural extension of the work we already are doing. The final decision regarding the grant will be made in October 2006.</p>
Tuesday	
Wednesday	<p style="text-align: center;">NEW GRADUATE ELECTIVE</p> <p>New Fall 2006 Course "Public Administration in Florida"</p> <p>The course PAD 6934 Special Topics covering Public Administration in Florida, has been scheduled for Thursday nights from 6:00 to 8:50 PM on the Orlando Campus in Business Administration Room 221. This course deals with the structure, functions, personnel, finances and inter-governmental relations from a comparative perspective focusing upon similarities and differences between states with an emphasis on Florida's state and local governments.</p>
Thursday	<p>The instructor for the course is Professor Lawrence L. Martin, who prior to teaching at UCF taught at Florida Atlantic University and at Columbia University. Before his academic career, Dr. Martin worked in state and local government for 15 years. His work has been published by the International City/County Management Association, the National League of Cities, the IBM Center for the Business of Government, the Reason Foundation and others.</p>
Friday	
	<p style="text-align: center;">LOCAL ASPA CHAPTER ELECTIONS</p> <p>At the July 20th meeting our local ASPA chapter members elected new officers, increasing the partnership with our department.</p> <p>The new chapter president will be Dr. Mary Ann Feldheim, the vice-president for administration is Rose Rhyne, the two vice-presidents for membership are Maria Elena Augustin and Katherine McKinney, and the two-vice presidents for programs are Robert Morin and Rebecca Reis. The past president, Alphonso Jefferson, will assist in transitioning the organization and planning the agenda for next year.</p> <p>The next regular meeting will be in September.</p>